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Re: Docket No. 7970 – VGS Addison Expansion - Old Stage Road Re-route

Dear Ms. Hudson,

Please accept this letter as the post-hearing submission on behalf of Ms. Lyons.

Ms. Lyons thanks the Board and the Board staff for their careful attention to the testimony during the hearing on September 23, 2014. Ms. Lyons stands by her prefiled testimony, and adds the following.

During the Board's questioning and counsel's questioning of Mr. Nelson, it became clear that Vermont Gas Systems does not yet know if the contours of the land would be modified. In answer to counsel's question, Mr. Nelson testified that if blasting is required and if that blasting changes the topography of Ms. Lyons' land, it is feasible for VGS to return the contours of the area to their preexisting contours when the work is done. In answer to counsel's questioning of Mr. Buscher, he testified that this would be a reasonable condition to impose. In answer to counsel's questioning, Ms. Simollardes, however, would not agree on behalf of VGS to imposition of such a condition. Ms. Lyons asks that, if the project is to go forward as planned by VGS, this condition be imposed.

During the hearings, counsel for VGS and counsel for Ms. Lyons entered a stipulation into the record. The stipulation is that if the VELCO corridor becomes visible from Old Stage Road across her land, then VGS will plant mature trees to block the visibility of the VELCO corridor. When Mr. Raphael testified, he was asked about the stipulation. He testified that in his opinion, this mitigation measure should not be restricted to Ms. Lyons' land. Ms. Lyons does not disagree with Mr. Raphael, although the stipulation with VGS is restricted to her land.

Sincerely,

Jim Dumont

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